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Comments on Proposed Publication of an Office Periodical by ORR

REFERENCE: Your memo dated 1 Apr 59, same subject

- 1. This memorandum is in response to the request for comments contained in the memorandum of reference. Briefly my reactions are contained in the following paragraphs.
- 2. A medium such as that proposed, which would transmit news of general interest in a timely fashion, would probably be a good thing. If done with care and if the informational nuggets included in such a publication were wisely selected, such a publication would help, I think, to break down the parochial boundaries among the several subordinate groups within ORR. To put it another way, such a publication could be a helpful influence in giving ORR personnel a sense of being members of the ORR team (as distinct from a sense of membership only of some subordinate area or division).
- 3. If the issuance of such a publication is deemed desirable, I believe that a monthly frequency would be adequate. Greater frequency would reduce the degree of care and selectivity which, in my judgment, is essential to the success of such a publication.
- 4. I would hope that the editor of such a publication would be able to fulfill his mission with only incidental support from the organization. Off hand it would appear that the editor should be able to cover the CRR beat with a little leg work and judicious use of the telephone with no necessity for substantial organized support.
- 5. The format and subject matter suggested for inclusion in such a publication seems to me to be appropriate, and I have no specific additions or omissions to suggest.

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